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MINOR MENTION.

N. Y. Plumbing Co. Council Bluffs Lumber Co., coal. Craft's chattel loans, 504 Sapp block.

Dr. Stephen Phelps will speak this evening at the Union Christian Mission, 208 Broadway.

Charles Rhodes was arrested by a deputy United States marshal yesterday on a charge of bootlegging.

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NEWS FROM COUNCIL BLUFFS

Schemes for Municipal Reform Proposed by the T. J. Evans Bill.

SYNOPSIS OF THE SECRET NOW OUT

Principal Features of the Law Suggested—Officers Provided for, Their Duties and Salaries—Objections That Appear to Be Fatal.

T. J. Evans has returned from Des Moines, where he spent two or three days last week in getting before the legislature his new bill which is expected to work a great many reforms in municipal affairs—provided it should pass. Although an effort was made to keep the provisions of the bill secret until it should be learned what the legislative committees did with it, a pretty full outline of it was given in The Bee a couple of weeks ago. Before it was finally submitted to the legislature several changes were made in it, and at present its provisions are as follows:

The only elective offices in the city are those of mayor, city council, consisting of one member from each ward, board of control, composed of two members from each district, the districts to consist of two or more contiguous wards, and the city treasurer. The members of the city council and board of control are to be elected for two years, and in voting for the members of the board of control separate ballots are to be used, it being understood that each voter can elect but one member for each of the categories, or two for one candidate, the latter provision being made for the purpose of insuring the election of a nonpartisan board. This board is to have control of all public works, to act as a board of equalization, and have the power to appoint a clerk, auditing clerk, city coroner, assessor, assessor-treasurer, weighmaster, street supervisor, salaried watchmen and members of the police and fire departments. It shall also incur in all tax levies and resolutions for the expenditure of money that shall be made by the council before they shall be valid.

The mayor is made ex-officio chief of police and chief of the fire department. The salary of elective officers, including that of the mayor, councilmen, members of the board of control, and city treasurer, cannot exceed \$300 per annum. The one exception to this rule is the chairman of the committee on public works, who may be paid a reasonable compensation for the time he puts in, the amount to be decided upon by the council.

One striking feature of the bill is that requiring candidates for the board of control to be owners of property within the corporate limits of the city and payors of taxes on property, the assessed valuation of which must not be less than \$1,000. Only a favored few have been allowed to examine copies of the bill, and among those who have seen it opinions differ. The authors of it are said upon good authority to be T. J. Evans, William Siedentopf and George E. Wright, and the avowed intention of the framers of the bill was to provide a way by which the expenses of the city government could be reduced. It is a noticeable fact, however, that the only cases in which there is a reduction of salary made are those of the mayor and treasurer, while the limit of salary to be paid to the aldermen is made double what the salary now is and six new officers are to be hoisted into place at a salary of \$300 a year, the salaries of the city officials are not touched upon. The objection is also raised to the property qualifications that it is contrary to the spirit of the state of Iowa. A great deal of discussion is going on among those who have examined the bill, and its opponents claim that it will never pass, at least in anything like its present shape.

Tickets for Eli Perkins' lecture, February 11, are on sale at the drug store of O. H. Brown, Main street; J. B. Sturges, Broadway; Fairmount pharmacy, Opera House drug store; Brackett's. Remember that this entertainment is wholly for the benefit of the Home of the Friendless. Buy your tickets early and get a good seat.

Jarvis will blackberry the best.

A. O. T. W.

The grand lodge of Iowa of the Ancient Order of United Workmen begins its annual meeting today, and a large proportion of the delegates have already arrived. The headquarters are at the Grand and Ogden hotels, whose corridors were swarmed last evening with the members of the order. The Ancient Order of United Workmen is one of the oldest and best known societies in the country, and although owing to the split in the ranks that occurred some years ago, the lodges of the loyal branch in Iowa are less numerous than those that succeeded, they are composed of the finest class of men and a class of Council Bluffs is glad to welcome. The meeting for organization will be held this morning at 9 o'clock in the Royal Arcade parlors, and three sessions will be held today, tomorrow and Thursday, if the business to be transacted holds out so long. The following is a list of the delegates who will represent the various lodges over the state:

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THE GREAT SHOES SALE

Program for the Week:

My sales have been large the last week, but I have thousands of dollars worth of shoes that are clean and new. I have bargains to offer that have not been on sale before. Shoes of all kinds and prices. Fine shoes, medium priced shoes; cheap shoes, and all of them good shoes; they will be sold cheap, and cheap means at a lower price than ever offered in Council Bluffs or Omaha. I HAVE NO COMPETITORS. There is not a shoe stock in the city that has the good solid, serviceable shoes in it that mine has. I have never had a cheap or shoddy shoe in the store, and as no one can compare prices with mine when they can't compare goods. REMEMBER, all these goods will be sold at old prices as soon as this sale is over. It will pay you to buy now.

TO RAILROAD MEN. You can buy the \$5 calf box toed shoe, in lace, congress or outton, for \$3.50, and it is the best railroad shoe on earth. These shoes have not been on sale the past week, but they will all go this week for \$3.50, and every pair warranted.

MEN'S PATENT LEATHER SHOES. I have a few dozen of those fine silk vesting top, patent leather shoes, the same shoes that would you \$8 and \$9 in Omaha, for \$5.50. If you want a dress shoe don't overlook this chance.

LADIES' PATENT LEATHER SHOES. There is a few dozen of the cloth top, button and lace, patent leather shoes left, \$5.50, reduced to \$4.50; \$6, reduced to \$4.

A FEW OF THE BARGAINS YOU CAN GET THIS WEEK. Ladies' \$5 shoes for \$3.50. Ladies' \$4.50 shoes for \$3. Ladies' \$3.50 shoes at \$2.50. Ladies' \$3 shoes at \$2. Ladies' \$2.50 shoes at \$1.75. I also have a few dozen of Laird's hand turned shoes. The ones Morse of Omaha sells for \$8, for \$4.50. These are all genuine bargains, and these goods will all be sold at regular price as soon as this sale is over.

THURSDAY. All \$2.50 shoes go for \$1.75. These are as good shoes as can be bought in any store for \$3.00. I have a big lot of them in all sizes and widths, but they will all go for \$1.75.

I HAVE A FEW OXFORDS LEFT. And they will be sold at sold at some price this week. You will need them soon. Get a pair now and save half price.

STACY, ADAMS & CO. Men's \$3.00 calfskin and kangaroo southern ties at \$3.50. Everyone knows that Stacy & Adams' shoes are the very best.

F. H. EVANS, 412 Broadway, Council Bluffs.

S. A. PIERCE & CO.

OF THE

GREAT BARGAIN SHOES STORE

100 Main Street, Cor. First Avenue.

Are the Leaders and Promoters of Hard Pan Prices in Reliable Boots, Shoes and Rubber Goods. Commencing February 10, to Make Room for our Spring Goods, we shall offer:

- 125 pairs men's calf and buff congress, former price \$1.75 to \$3.50. At go to 90c.
100 pairs ladies' calf balm and congress, former price \$2.50 to \$3. Now \$1.50.
200 pairs men's oil grain congress, solid as a rock, Go at \$1.50.
Boys' same At \$1.25.
150 pairs ladies' fine cloth top button, worth \$2.75. Can have them at \$1.75.
100 pairs ladies' dongola button, patent tip, would be a bargain at \$2. Go at \$1.50.
60 pairs ladies' kid button, patent tip and plain toe, At \$1.00.
Misses' in same At 75c.
Smith & Staughton's men's box toe railroad shoes, the best on earth, bals and congress.
200 pairs ladies hand turn button in French kid and Dongola, this is an elegant lot of goods, former price \$3.50 to \$4.50. Your Choice for \$2.50.
Our spring stock of Indies' Oxfords are now arriving, we are giving splendid bargains in these goods at 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2 & \$2.50.
All our men's \$6 and \$7 shoes At \$4.50.
All our ladies' \$5 and \$6 shoes At \$4.00.
Boys' hand sewed calf button At \$2.50.
Boys' school shoes At \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50.
We have a large stock of misses' shoes, in kid, goat, grain and calf, hand and machine sewed and standard screw fastened, at 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 & \$2.
In youths', children's and infants' shoes we have no competition.
Keep this fact in mind we carry the largest stock in this city, and can and will give better value for the money than any house in western Iowa.
Special attention given to repairing.

Come and See Us at 100 Main Street, Corner First Avenue

THE NEW YORK LIFE.

"The Outs." "The Ins."

Management and Results.

Who are they that so persistently dissatisfied with the management of the New York Life, and find pleasure in distributing plans adopted by the company, and in making derisive and derogatory comments against it? They are simply the very ambitious and covetous "outs" desperately working for the "ins," aided by others opposed to rates and plans adopted by the company for cheapening the cost of insurance.

Who are the perfectly satisfied and so anxious to retain the management? The many thousand policy holders throughout the land who have been participating in the large dividend returns, which have amounted to over \$11,000,000 in the last five years, and now learn from the New York state insurance superintendent that the company had, June 30 last, over \$20,000,000 available assets—\$5,000,000 more than the management claimed for it six months before, and a net surplus of \$14,708,675.83, which is \$250,000 more than claimed for it six months before by adding the dividends paid from surplus during same time.

Yes, the great big "outs" and others referred to don't like the management that has in twenty-nine years built up the company from \$2,000,000 assets to over \$25,000,000 January 1, 1892, with a net surplus found to be several millions larger than that claimed by any other company in the world, with one solitary exception.

Every dollar of the assets and surplus possessed by the company belongs solely to its policyholders, and is such that twenty-year policies, taken even at the low ordinary life rate, the company is now returning all money invested, with nearly as much interest as government bonds are paying, counting nothing for insurance. On limited payment life, twenty-year term, at certain ages, the company is returning, in dividends alone, more than all they have received, still leaving policy in force paid for, regardless of condition of health, bearing dividends annually,